

INFORMATION BULLETIN

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: WIA EXPENDITURES AND PARTICIPATION REPORT

Attached for your information is a transmittal letter and a report transmitted to Region VI of the Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration (DOL/ETA), entitled *Development of the Workforce Investment System in California: A Look at Recent Patterns of Expenditures and Participation*. As stated in the transmittal letter, the Employment Development Department prepared the report in response to DOL/ETA's concerns regarding low expenditures of Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funds in the first year of implementation in California and a drop in expenditures during the first quarter of Program Year 2001-02. It provides a context regarding the WIA implementation, analyzes various factors that influenced the expenditure rates, and describes both actions already taken and actions planned to address the issues. Please examine the report closely to see how it relates to issues in your area. You may want to pay particular attention to the section entitled *Plans for Addressing Issues*, and within that section, *Local Actions Planned*.

If you have any questions about this bulletin, please contact Steve Saxton, Program Section Manager, at (916) 654-6425.

/S/ BILL BURKE
Chief
Workforce Investment Division

Attachment

February 25, 2002

REFER TO: 69-1:125:cs:5388

Mr. Armando Quiroz, Regional Administrator
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Employment and Training Administration
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Dear Mr. Quiroz:

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT EXPENDITURES AND PARTICIPATION REPORT

Enclosed is the Employment Development Department's report titled, "Development of the Workforce Investment System in California: A Look at Recent Patterns of Expenditures and Participation."

This report is intended to respond to the Department of Labor's (DOL) concerns regarding low expenditures in the first year of Workforce Investment Act (WIA) implementation in California and the drop in expenditures in the first quarter of Program Year 2001-02. The report also responds to your request for a corrective action plan to address DOL's concerns. It discusses the expenditure situation in California, provides a context within which to consider our experiences over the past year, analyzes various factors that have influenced expenditure rates, and describes the actions we have taken to date and have planned for the future. Finally, it suggests some actions DOL could take to assist California and other states.

I hope we can use this report to focus our discussions and efforts regarding the effective implementation of WIA in this State. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. My telephone number is (916) 654-7111.

Sincerely,

BILL BURKE
Acting Deputy Director
Workforce Development Branch

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cc: Michael Bernick